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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Number	09/963,668
Filing Date	September 27, 2001
First Named Inventor	MECHTHILD RIEPING
Examiner Name	D. Ramirez
Art Unit	1652
Attorney Docket No.	021123-0283665

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims below	Fee from	Fee Paid
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Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath			
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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification			
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination			
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month			
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month			420.00
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month			
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month			
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month			
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal			
1402 330	2402 165	Filing brief in support of an appeal			
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing			
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable			
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional			
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
1502 480	2502 240	Design issue fee			
1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee			
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8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)			
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1801 770	2801 385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
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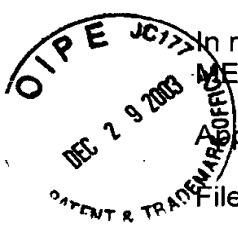
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for a 2 months extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

FEES

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

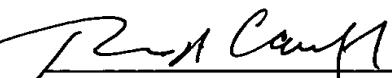
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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Attached are the formal drawing(s) for this application. 5 Sheets of Figure(s)
1-5.

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